

TOUR OF THE COMMISSION

Goal Arbitrators Pass a Busy Day in the Mines of the Shamokin Region.

MINERS OF MIXED NATIONALITIES

The Commission Sees Much to Interest Them in the Various Places Visited—Environments of Hickory Ridge Decidedly Unimproving—The Commissioners Question Miners Found at Work—Judge Gray Among the Most Careful Observers in the Party.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Mount Carmel, Pa., Nov. 4.—The arbitration commission, appointed by President Roosevelt, to adjust the differences existing between the anthracite coal miners and their employers visited the Shamokin region today, and tonight are resting in the mining town of Mount Carmel.

The commissioners put in a busy day. They went into the depths of one mine, looked over several others, and then looked over the shafts of the Hickory Ridge, where they saw a mixture of a half dozen nationalities of mine workers living in homes that are mere shanties.

The arbitrators were up early and left Hazleton on their special train at 8 o'clock. On the run to the Shamokin region, the train passed through Mahanoy City, Shenandoah, Centralia and Mount Carmel. At several stations small crowds of people were on hand to see the train go through.

The commission arrived at Shamokin at 10.55 a. m. and a small crowd was there to meet them. At this place District President John Fahy, Secretary Harry Veith, both of the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron company met the train at Mahanoy City and represented the Reading company in the tour of the commission today.

Among the other persons in the party were General Superintendent William W. Richards, of the Lehigh and Wilkes-Barre Coal company, who have been with the commission since last Saturday.

A special train was run to the Bear Valley colliery, of the Reading company, about three miles from Shamokin. This mine is a very wet one, and the commissioners were compelled to wear rubber coats and boots besides their usual outfit of overcoats and hats.

More than an hour was spent in the workings, which are about four hundred and fifty feet below the surface. The principal feature which was new to the commissioners in this colliery was the very steep pitch of one of the veins. It has a pitch of from thirty-five to seventy-two degrees.

While the arbitrators were in the mine they were hauled about in a train of cars drawn by a mine mule. One of the men jumped on the track twice and miners had to replace it.

Miners Questioned. While underground the commissioners questioned several of the miners whom they found at work. In this colliery the western miners are in the line yard, and they were asked the usual questions of how much they earned, the number of hours spent in the mines and the character of the particular breast they were working.

A trip was also made through the mine, where the miners were asked the usual questions of how much they earned, the number of hours spent in the mines and the character of the particular breast they were working.

KILLED A HOODLUM.

A Murder Trial Will Result from a Joffilation at Altoona. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Altoona, Pa., Nov. 4.—Blaine and William Dodson, of Claysburg, cousins, came to this city yesterday to visit relatives. Last night they were entertained at the home of Mrs. Rachel Lingafelt, a cousin, Mrs. Shambaugh, an aunt, assisting at the joffilation given in honor of the guests.

HON. HALE JOHNSON IS MURDERED

The Well-Known Prohibitionist Is Killed by Henry Harris, Who Commits Suicide in Prison.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Bloomington, Ill., Nov. 4.—Hon. Hale Johnson, a Prohibition leader of national prominence and a vice-presidential candidate on the Prohibition ticket in 1896, was shot and instantly killed by Harry Harris this afternoon at Bogota, a village in Jasper county, thirty miles from Harris. Harris committed suicide in the county jail tonight by taking poison. Johnson, who was practicing law at Newton, the county seat, went to Bogota to collect an account on which judgment had already been rendered against Harris.

An altercation occurred between Johnson and Harris at the Harris home, and the latter secured a shotgun and fired at Johnson at close range, the charge striking Johnson in the face and causing instant death. Immediately after the shooting, Harris jumped into Johnson's buggy and attempted to make his escape, but was apprehended by a deputy sheriff, who had accompanied Johnson and was a witness to the shooting. Johnson's body was taken to his home in Newton, and Harris was locked up in jail in the same place.

Johnson was the nominee of the Prohibition party in this state for governor in 1898, and had been nominated for the vice-presidency and withdrew as gubernatorial candidate.

FRUIT STEAMER SINKS SCHOONER

Collision Occurs in a Heavy Fog. About Ten Miles Off the Cape Cod Lightship.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Boston, Nov. 4.—The United Fruit company's steamer Admiral Sampson, which arrived here today, reports that she collided with the three-masted schooner "Charles" Buckel, bound for Eddyville, N. Y., for Boston, about ten miles off the Cape Cod lightship at 2 o'clock this morning. The schooner was sunk, and Captain Freeman Huntley, of Jonesport, Me., Mate Ulmer Huntley and two seamen of the Buckel were drowned.

The mate was a son of the captain. The lost sailors were Norman Sampson, of Sydney, B. C., and Mark Beard, of Two Rivers, N. S. The Admiral Sampson was damaged to some extent. The collision occurred in a very heavy fog. The schooner began to fill and her heavy cargo of cement carried her down in less than three minutes.

GROCER CLERK A DEFAULTER.

John Lawrence O'Brien's Accounts Shot in the Sum of \$5,400. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Washington, Nov. 4.—John Lawrence O'Brien, for seven years confidential clerk in the employ of Frank Hume, a local wholesale grocer, is accused of being a defaulter in the sum of \$5,400. O'Brien was married on October 27 last to Miss Della O'Day, a clerk in the treasury department, and he left the city, ostensibly for New York, to spend his honeymoon. After being gone a few days Mr. Hume received a letter written by O'Brien before his departure, and the delivery of which was delayed by his request, in which he called attention to discrepancies in his accounts. He is supposed to have gone to London, and the detective bureau will make an effort to locate him there.

WOMAN REPEATER.

Mrs. Harriet Hibbard Arrested in Act of Casting Her Third Ballot. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Denver, Nov. 4.—For the first time in the history of Colorado politics, a woman was arrested today on the charge of repeating. When booked at the city jail, she gave the name of Jennie Sanderson, but she was subsequently identified as Mrs. Harriet Hibbard, a widow, 50 years of age.

WILKES-BARRE MAN KILLED.

Cornelius Dougherty the Victim of Accident at Filtration Works. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 4.—Cornelius Dougherty, aged 25 years, of Scott street, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., was instantly killed through the loosening of a bolt in a derrick at the Torrens filtration beds, this city, today.

RICE FAMINE THREATENED.

Philippine Commission Takes Strong Measures to Avert Disaster. Manila, Nov. 4.—The Philippine commission has taken strong measures to avert the rice famine which is threatening many provinces. They today appropriated \$2,000,000 (Mexican) for the purchase and the transportation of rice to be sold to the sufferers at a cash price covering the cost. Governor Taft will control the purchases and sales.

PENNYPACKER IS ELECTED

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Democrats are elected for the legislature.

MONROE.

Monroe county, estimated: Gives Patton, Democrat, for governor, a plurality of 1,900. The same county gave Jenks, for governor, a plurality of 1,901, a Republican gain of 91. J. B. Place, Democrat, is elected for the legislature; for congress, J. H. Shull, Democrat, has a plurality of 500; Senator Mulhearn, Democrat, has 500 plurality.

McKean.

McKean county, estimated: Gives Pennypacker 500 majority, a Democratic gain of 411.

Mifflin.

Mifflin county, estimated: Gives Patton a plurality of 150, a Democratic gain of 123; for the legislature, Webb, Republican, is elected; for congress, Mahon has a plurality of 200 in the county.

Montgomery.

Montgomery county, estimated: Patton's plurality, 500, a Republican gain of 123. Five Republicans are elected to the legislature. Wagner, Republican, for congress, has a plurality of 900 in the county. Roberts, Republican, is elected senator.

Potter.

Potter county, estimated: Gives Pennypacker a plurality of 400, a Democratic gain of 639; A. R. Moore, Republican, has an estimated plurality of 600 for the legislature; for congress, Deemer, Republican, has a plurality of 900. The judgeship is very close between L. E. Seibert, Democrat, and John Ormerod, Republican, with indications pointing to the election of the former.

Union county, estimated: Gives Pennypacker a plurality of 600, a Democratic gain of 129. For the legislature, Mohr, Republican, has a plurality of 550. Mahon, Republican, has a plurality of 500 for congress in the county. The entire Republican county ticket is elected.

Warren.

Warren county, estimated: Gives Pennypacker 800 plurality, a Democratic gain of 200. For the legislature, Sibley, Republican, has 1,000 majority; Sibley, Republican, has 1,000 majority in the county for congress.

Wyoming.

Wyoming county: Patton carries Wyoming county by about 200 plurality. Entire Republican county ticket elected by pluralities ranging from 100 to 250.

York.

York county, estimated: Gives Pennypacker 2,000 plurality; legislature, Levi M. Myers, W. J. McClelland, V. D. Sterner, E. Z. Strine; congress, D. P. Lafean, Republican; senate, E. K. McCook, Republican. The entire county ticket is elected and the returns very slow in coming in.

INDUSTRIAL JOTTINGS.

A Handsome Dining Car.

In a day or two, one of the handsomest and most comfortable railroad dining cars in the service of the Lackawanna railroad will be turned out by the Scranton paint shop. It is No. 150, and has been rebuilt and fitted with all the latest improvements.

The car is six feet long, and the interior is finished in mahogany, with patent gas and electric light appliances. The old style Gothic glass in the windows has been replaced with variegated opalescent glass, which is a very novel and attractive feature.

D. L. and W. Board for Today.

Following is the make-up of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western board for today:

TUESDAY, NOV. 4. Extras East—9 p. m., Stevens; 7 p. m., Haggerty; 8 p. m., C. S. Smith; 10 p. m., Carmody; 11:30 p. m., H. Gilligan; 12 m., Ruggles.

Summits—9 p. m., Golden; 8 p. m., Thompson. Pushers—9 p. m., Murray; 12 p. m., Collier.

Extras West—11 p. m., Ratchford.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 5. Extras East—3 a. m., McCarty; 2 a. m., Ketchum; 3 a. m., Swartz; 4 a. m., O. W. Fitzgerald; 5 a. m., J. Gorley; 6 a. m., Labar; 7 a. m., Randolph; 8 a. m., Rogers; 10 a. m., Loughney; 11 a. m., Baxter; 12 a. m., Bush; 1 p. m., Gibley; 2 p. m., C. Kingsley; 4 p. m., Eshery; 5 p. m., Wall.

Summits—8 a. m., Fronkelner; 10 a. m., Kirby with J. Hennigan's crew; 11 a. m., Nichols; 2 p. m., Carleton; 3 p. m., Widner; 7 a. m., Finney; 8 a. m., Hoyer; 9 a. m., Lamping; 11 a. m., A. J. McDonald; 1:30 p. m., J. D. Jones; 7 a. m., Bartholomew; 7:30 p. m., Murphy; 9 p. m., W. H. Bartholomew.

Helpers—1:30 a. m., Magover; 7 a. m., Gaffney; 10 a. m., Scott; 3:15 p. m., Stanton.

Extras West—11:30 p. m., Lord; 5 a. m., E. Stack; 11 a. m., G. W. Smith; 4 p. m., Brown.

NOTICE.

Peckens will take his run on No. 91 Wednesday, Nov. 5, at 11:30 p. m. extra east freight pool runs daily commencing Sunday, Nov. 2.

J. J. Duffy will remain on Rafferty's crew until further orders.

Ways of the Statesmen. Many years ago, when England was engaged in foreign complications, the first lord of the admiralty sent Admiral Codrington a dispatch which was most successful as far as it appeared before the public. He told him to take his ships into action and so forth, but in a corner he wrote this short private note: "Go it, No. 1! And Codrington went to Navarino and smashed up the Turkish fleet."

CONGRESS WILL BE REPUBLICAN

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Chairman Gourley, of the Democratic state committee, claimed four congressmen.

Trenton, Nov. 4.—The Republicans will again control both houses of the New Jersey state legislature by heavy majorities.

NORTH DAKOTA.

Bismarck, Nov. 4.—Returns at midnight left little doubt of the election of Frank White for governor and the success of the Republican ticket generally. The legislature will be heavily Republican.

OHIO.

Columbus, O., Nov. 4.—At 9 o'clock the Republican state committee estimated their pluralities in Ohio at 100,000, a gain of 20,000 and 40,000 over last year. The Democratic state committee made no claims on the state ticket, but claimed a gain of congressmen.

Cincinnati, O., Nov. 4.—City returns complete giving Laylin, Republican, second place, 14,000 majority by indication. Republican majority in Hamilton county nearly 30,000.

Columbus, Nov. 4.—At 10 o'clock Chairman Dick, of the Republican state committee, gave out a statement claiming a plurality of more than 100,000 on the state ticket, and 17,000 majority by indication. In this statement he claimed the election of congressmen in the Third, Twelfth and Thirteenth districts, none of which were at that hour controlled by Chairman Garber, of the Democratic state committee.

RHODE ISLAND.

Providence, R. I., Nov. 4.—A normal off-year Republican majority for governor, Republican for governor, and the entire Republican state and congressional ticket was polled today.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

Pierre, Nov. 4.—With three tickets in the field, Herried, Republican, for governor, wins over Martin, Democrat, by 15,000 majority, carrying the whole ticket with him. The legislature is Republican.

TENNESSEE.

Nashville, Nov. 4.—Little interest was shown in the election, which only affected governor and railroad commissioner. Frazier, Democrat, for governor, will have the usual majority, 50,000.

TEXAS.

Austin, Nov. 4.—Almost without opposition the Democratic state ticket was elected today. Lanham for governor defeated Brantley by a margin of 20,000 majority. There were five tickets in the field.

THE SOLID SOUTH.

Washington, Nov. 4.—Returns from the state elections in Alabama, Florida, and the Carolinas, show normal Democratic victories, with nothing of incident to report.

UTAH.

Salt Lake City, Nov. 4.—With only a justice of the Supreme court to elect, and party lines not tightly drawn, today's election was of little interest. The state tickets were in the field and it looks as if Young, Dem., would win. The legislature will be Democratic.

WASHINGTON.

Olympia, Nov. 4.—Hadley, Republican, for justice of the Supreme court, is elected by 1,000 majority, and the legislature is safely Republican.

WISCONSIN.

Milwaukee, Nov. 4.—Lafollette defeats Rose for governor by 40,000. The entire Republican state ticket, the legislature and congressional delegation are elected. Spooner's return to the United States senate will be unopposed within his own party and practically so among the Democrats.

Milwaukee, Nov. 4.—At 10:30 p. m. returns from the state indicate Governor La Follette will receive a plurality of about 35,000. Congressional returns are very meagre, but the indications point to the election of ten Republicans and one Democrat. The legislature will probably be Republican.

WYOMING.

Chevyenne, Nov. 4.—DeForest Richards, Republican candidate for governor, is elected by 1,000 majority over George E. Beck, Democrat.

BANK ACCOUNTS BY TALLY.

A Recent Curious Find in an Old-Time London Bank.

Some curious relics of the eighteenth century, says the London Mail, have just been discovered in a secluded corner of Martin's bank, in Lombard street.

A wooden box which had lain there out of mind was moved to make way for other things, and in it were found several bundles of dry, worm-eaten wooden sticks, which had been there since 1733. They were exchequer annuity tally sticks.

Each stick is a little over a foot long, and has string tied around it. The string, even the sticks themselves, had partially succumbed to the ravages of time, but the figures written upon them are in the state of the eighteenth century were as legible as though they had been written yesterday. The dates range from 1705 to 1712. There was good ink in the reign of Queen Anne.

One of the tally sticks bears the name "Strong," and the name of the day of the week. The sticks are of various sizes, and are marked with numbers from 1 to 12. There were notches upon them, large and small, to denote various sums of money.

"When you lent money to the government in those days," said one of the officials of Martin's bank, while showing the sticks to a Daily Mail representative, "the particulars were put down on two parts of a stick. The exchequer kept one part and you kept the other." They were all ninety-nine years' annuities.

"The last time our people touched them was evidently about 1732, for the box, as you see, is lined with a copy of the Whitehall Evening Post of February 14 of that year.

"The total amount represented by the whole boxful is £340. It was in hopes we might be able to claim some money from the exchequer with them, but the money part of the matter was all over many years ago."

The Resemblance.

William Lyon Phelps, of the Yale faculty, has the reputation of being a "good fellow" as far as his dignity and sense of duty permit, and now and then he is not averse to throwing a point in the way of a student who maintains a fair average in his studies. Once toward the close of the college year a senior noted for his good luck in sneaking through with unprepared lessons, thought he would try to take his ship out with Professor Phelps, and said to him: "I trust, sir, that you find I'm doing strong work in your course?"

"Strong?" echoed Phelps. "Why, your recitations always make me think of the rock of Gibraltar, itself."

"As the senior turned away with a self-satisfied air and a wink of self-gratification, the professor added: "Yes, indeed—you and the rock are such good fellows. You see?" Philadelphia Ledger.

RESULT IS YET IN SOME DOUBT

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districts in King's give Coler 27,286 and Odell, 23,445.

An immense crowd was in front of the Tribune building from nightfall until nearly midnight watching the bulletins thrown on a big screen by a stereopticon. The fact that little local news was coming tended to discourage the onlookers, and gradually they drifted homeward to go to bed and wait for the Tribune to tell them how it was.

"Those who were bent on seeing the thing to the end gathered in the respective headquarters, according to their political tendencies and intently drank in every little scrap of news that these places had to give out."

Republican Headquarters.

The Republicans held forth in the Central Republican rooms in the Price building, Washington avenue. Chairman H. L. Taylor, Treasurer Frank Beale, T. H. Ewell, Judge A. A. Vossburg, Candidates John Scheuer, Joseph Oliver and Edward James, Hon. John R. Farr, C. B. Penman, J. W. Dusenbury, John F. Williams, Frank B. Reese, George Marshall, Will F. Vaughan, County Detective Phillips and other members of the committee gathered in the room which was set or stood about the room were many of the most prominent men of the party.

At Congressman Connell's offices in the Connell building another large crowd was assembled. Colonel E. H. Ritchie, Major J. W. Warren, James S. McAnulty, John R. Williams, Sam H. Stevens and John M. Edwards did the computing. Mr. Connell received the returns at his home until he retired at a comparatively early hour.

The Democratic headquarters were in Music Hall on Lackawanna street. The hall was crowded until the wee sma' hours. On the stage with County Chairman John J. Fahey were: City Controller P. W. Costello, Colonel F. J. Fitzsimmons, Joseph O'Brien, D. J. Healy, Candidate P. F. John, E. J. Robinson, Richard G. White, John J. Coyne, William Craig, John J. Loftus, P. W. Kiroch, Jall Warden Miles McAndrew, P. E. Timlin, John J. Magrath, Secretary John P. Mahon and T. A. Donohoe, Thomas P. Duffy, Martin Gadden and James Scheuer. The last five attended to the computations.

At both the Republican and Democratic headquarters the anxiety was too intense to permit of any great amount of enthusiasm. One return would be expected or unexpectedly fastidiously and the next would be the reverse. Applause and silence alternated accordingly. Neither chairman would make any statement further than that "things in general" looked favorable.

As the night grew apace, Democratic faithfulness began to give out, encouraging computations. Then Chairman Fahey brightened up and proceeded to make claims. At 2 o'clock this morning he was satisfied that the whole Democratic ticket was elected with the exception of Howell, and Howell's chances, he said, were very favorable.

DOG AND CAT REMEDIES.

A Few Practical Remedies for Our Domestic Animals.

From the Baltimore American. Kerosene is often advised for use on dogs and cats, but it is not wise to employ this means of killing fleas, as it is more likely to kill the animal itself. One cat was brought to the league last summer with every hair gone and her skin bare and inflamed. She was suffering terribly, as one would suffer from a bad burn, and the whole cause was that her owner tried an application of kerosene to kill fleas. Many cases of injury from the use of carbolic soap and lye on dogs and cats are known. Simple and not severe remedies are always advisable for external or internal use.

This is a good time of the year to give your dog or your cat a little course of sulfur. It is a very good remedy, and it is easy to give. You may sprinkle an even teaspoonful of powdered sulphur on meat or in a saucer of milk or mix it in any food that is given; or in the case of cats mix half a teaspoonful with a teaspoonful of liver oil and give it on the cat's paws or fur, and the cat will lick it off. Another way is to buy the homeopathic preparation of sulphur pellets, and a dog will eat them as readily as he would candy. Many persons who keep cats and dogs use homeopathic remedies entirely for their ailments. I have given nux vomica often to my maltreated terrier when he lacks appetite or has a bad-smelling breath. I give him from four to six pellets at night and in the morning. It is usually quite safe to give the same remedies to a dog or cat that you would give to a child, and in about the same proportion, taking age, size, etc., into consideration. Sweet oil is valuable in any tendency to constipation, and in the case of dogs and cats like it. For a small dog a tablespoonful poured over light white bread that has been cut up into dice may be given twice a week to advantage, unless there is some special reason against it. A cat will take it clear if it is given in place of food, or it may be put on little bits of raw beef or cooked fish.

Give water—give water to your dumb animal. Whatever else you neglect to do for them do not let them suffer for that simple thing which costs you nothing but a little trouble and thought. Keep a dish of water night and day where your dog and your cat can get it, and change it at least every twelve hours.

Dogs are not infrequently attacked by convulsions, and this dread disease, which is often by ignorant men and boys called hydrophobia, is generally caused by one of three things—most drinking water enough to keep the system in good condition; improper or insufficient food, causing acute indigestion; too violent exercise in hot weather, or running all day after a team, or having no rest, and then being made to rest. A dog that is taken good care of seldom has fits.

Possibly.

Judge Greene, a stickler for exactitude in all things, objected to ex-Judge Dennison's pronouncing the author of "Brownie" as "Brody." Dennison, counsel in an important case on which Greene was sitting, reported that "Brody" was spelled "Brownie" and nothing else. Judge Greene, now heated, insisted that it should be pronounced "Brownie," and went on to say as follows: "My name is G-e-e-e-e. Now, Mr. Dennison, you would not call me 'Greene,' would you?"

"No, indeed," with a withheld answer, your honor," was Dennison's prompt reply, "until you have made a decision in the case now before the honorable court." Philadelphia Ledger.

Afansy and Marina

Translated from the Russian.

MORE than a year had elapsed since Afansy had fastidiously bowed to the ground before Marina, and said to her: "You shall be my wife," and Marina replied, also with a low bow: "And you—my husband."

Immediately after the wedding Afansy went away with his comrades on a spree which lasted two days and two nights, and when he had finished feasting he started off in quest of booty towards the Blue sea. And the young bride waited and waited for her husband in vain.

It was a winter evening. Here and there in the village groups of Cossacks sang old songs of valor, told stories of valor in the past, and drank wine, victoriously shouting of joy, songs and ruses. "I hear some shouting near the village," said one of the older Cossacks. All listened amidst profound silence. At first it seemed to them like the distant shouting of the wind; then they heard distinctly shouts of joy, songs and ruses. The Cossacks ran out into the street.

"It looks as though our people are coming home! Afansy is coming home!" All the men collected on the square; only the women dared not leave the huts; they sat by the windows and waited for the return of their beloved ones with alarm.

When Afansy reached the square he jumped off his gray Persian horse, went down on his knees, kissed the sign of the cross facing the east, imprinted a devout kiss upon the ground, then rose and bowed on all four sides: "Peace to you, great chieftains, and all the great army of the Cossacks on the Don," he greeted the assembled, in a loud, clear voice.

"Peace to you, Afansy. How have you fared? Have you brought much booty with you?" "You can see it for yourselves," he said, pointing at the tilted carts. "We've done a clever piece of work, my boys! Oh, how we've worked! I'll never forget it!"

The village became noisy at once. The Cossacks began to kiss one another and the newcomers related the stories of their adventures in distant lands. In the meantime the booty was carted away to another square, where men were stationed to watch it until the next day, when each of the warriors would get his share in front of the entire community.

It was late at night when Afansy came home. He was not alone; with him came a handsome young Cossack. "Well, my little wife," shouted Afansy cheerfully, kissing Marina and clasping her close to him, "thank God, we've brought along fine things with us. This is my young friend, Mikhailo. He'll stay with us for a while. Let us now eat our supper and then we'll take a little rest. Tomorrow at dawn we'll go to the square to share our booty."

Marina had hoped to succeed this time in checking her husband's senseless prodigality, his mad thirst for gambling, his love of wine, but in vain! Afansy rose at dawn, and donning his best velvet coat embroidered with gold, threw a Persian rug on top of it, put on his colored boots, thrust a Cossack sabre into his belt, and went out to the square with his young friend Mikhailo.

Towards evening Mikhailo came to Marina with a message from Afansy, saying that her husband would not return home so soon, because he was in the middle of an exciting game. "I'll be back tomorrow," he said, "I'll buy you tomorrow on the square."

"You will not! If God has decreed that I shall be disgraced, I'll make an end to it all. I'll drown myself! While Afansy is alive I cannot live with another; I'd rather die. Am I not a Cossack woman?"

Saying this she turned and ran away towards her hut. Afansy was not yet asleep. He sat by the table, lost in thought. When he heard the muffled sobs of Marina in the adjoining room, he felt that his heart was growing softer from her sobs. He realized how dearly he loved, but he brushed the thought aside.

"Never mind," he consoled himself, "I'll go out in quest of booty and I'll forget her. And yet she was a fine woman; an honest, well-bred Cossack girl. But I have lost her."

"I'll turn her over to Mikhailo," he decided at a sudden. "He seems to be a good fellow. I'll talk it over with him."

He rose from his seat, paced the room back and forth, and called Marina. "Well, don't cry, you foolish woman. Stop crying," he said in a firm voice. "To forsake a woman like Marina I don't think I should be disgraced before the whole village?"

"Don